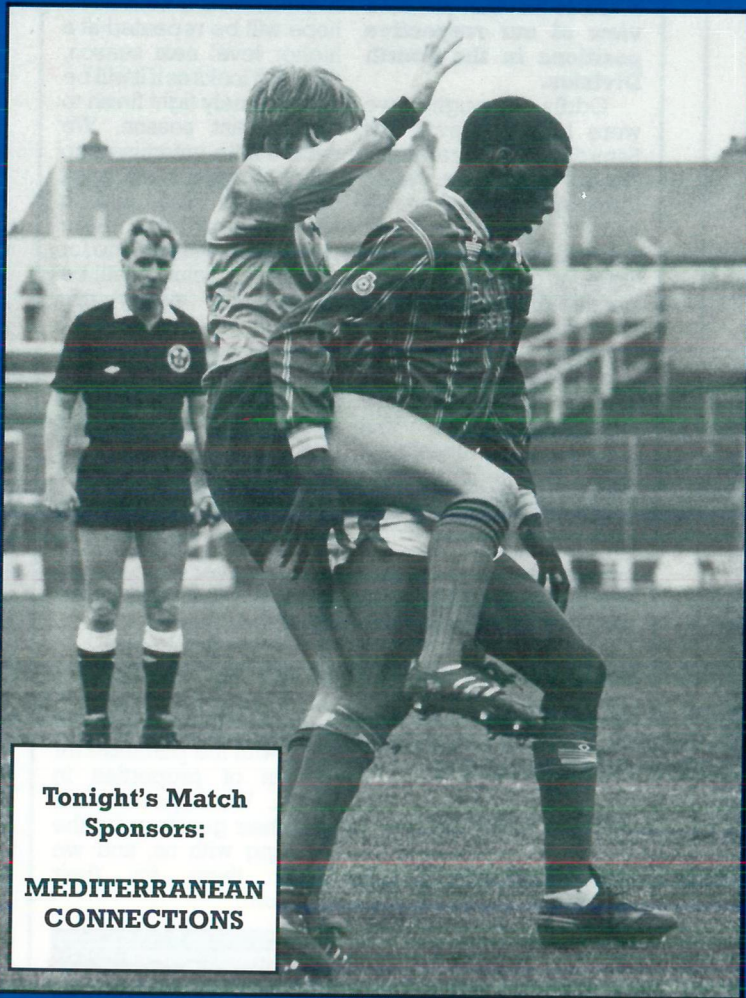


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NINIAN NEWS

All games are vital to any club at this stage of the season if they are hoping for promotion – and tonight's match against Bolton Wanderers is no exception in view of our respective positions in the Fourth Division.

Oddly enough, we were both in Devon last Saturday, Bolton drawing at Exeter, while we were losing at Torquay where we had to play without our usual strong away support. Torquay operate a membership-only scheme, and no visiting club have been allowed to take any supporters with them this season. If there was any consolation from that defeat, it was in the fact that none of our immediate rivals, apart from Torquay, collected maximum points last weekend. But the current situation means that our destiny lies in our own hands, though one fixture that we shall be keeping a close eye on is next Tuesday's Fourth Division match between tonight's visitors Bolton and Scunthorpe United.

YOUTH SUCCESS

● For the third consecutive season, we are the holders of the Welsh Youth Cup – last Saturday's 2-1 victory at Knighton over Wrexham after we had trailed to an early goal, was a deserved reward for all the hard work put in by our youth-squad this season Paul Jarrett and Chris Fry were the scorers, details of the line-up will be found in 'City Statistics'.

TONIGHT'S VISITORS

● We welcome Bolton Wanderers and their manager Phil Neal to Ninian Park this evening for a fixture which both of us hope will be repeated at a higher level next season, though it looks as if it will be an extremely tight finish to the current season. We were a little unfortunate to lose at Burnden Park back on August 22nd, and in view of there being three points for a win and one for a draw, both clubs will be all out for victory this evening. Incidentally, amongst our archives is a match programme from the opening First Division game of the 1927-28 season, sixty years ago, when we met Bolton here at Ninian Park. We were F.A. Cup holders, Bolton had held the trophy the previous year – times have changed somewhat since then!

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● We are pleased to welcome tonight **Mediterranean Connections**, who deal with the purchase for clients of properties in Spain. We hope the firm and their guests enjoy the evening with us, and we thank them for their support.

TONIGHT'S COVER
(Main Action): Close connections against Newport County recently as Kevin Bartlett is challenged by opposing defender Richard Jones. (Top Right): Paul Jarrett, and (Bottom Right): Chris Fry, our goalscorers in the 2-1 Welsh Youth Cup Final victory over Wrexham last weekend.

Pics: Bob Reed



● Our first goal in the 4-0 Easter Monday home win over Newport County... (ABOVE): Alan Curtis (right) gets in a shot which was half-saved by County's 'keeper David Coles, and (BELOW): the ball runs loose for Nigel Stevenson to score his first of the season.

Pic: Bob Reed



MANAGER'S VIEW BY FRANK BURROWS

Tonight's game against Bolton Wanderers is an exciting attractive fixture, and since I've been manager of Cardiff City, I've been aiming to get a situation where every game is like this one in terms of importance. That's why we're in professional football — to play in or manage a club which is involved in exciting and attractive games.

It's nice for us to be involved in a promotion-race and in a chase for a national trophy such as the Welsh Cup, and I'm delighted to be in this position. My philosophy is, as you'll be aware, that only the next game is the most important one, which for us is this match tonight.

Whatever has happened in recent games, I hope that all our supporters will get fully behind us, and give us a big lift, especially at this stage of the season because we are going for the Third Division, and we should all play our part. We are in a good position, and we want a tremendous atmosphere to help us over the last few matches.

At half-time tonight, you'll see our youth team, which won the Welsh Youth Cup last Saturday against Wrexham, taking the trophy around the pitch. It's the premier youth football competition in Wales, and we have won it for the third consecutive year. The young-



sters have done themselves and the Club proud, so I'm sure you'll be generous with your applause and show your appreciation for their efforts.

It's one success in what we hope is the first of several targets this season at all levels of Cardiff City. When you are in that kind of position, you get attention from T.V., Radio, Press etc., and it's a good atmosphere to be involved in — it makes us feel we are achieving something, and so far we have had a successful season all round. Hopefully we can finish it off in a suitable way by adding to the success of the youngsters, because however well you do in a race, it's what happens at the finishing line that matters. So, once again, enjoy tonight, give us your full support from the kick-off, and have a safe journey home.

LOOKING AHEAD

WELSH CUP SEMI-FINAL

● On Tuesday next, April 19th at 7.45 p.m., Caernarfon Town are our visitors in the first leg of the semi-final of the Welsh Cup. It's the first occasion on which we have met the North Wales club who have never progressed further than the semi-final stage in their history. We were last in the semi-final in 1985-86 losing to eventual winners Wrexham, while our last appearance in the final itself was in 1981-82 when Swansea City defeated us. So on Tuesday we will be hoping to do well against Caernarfon, with the return at The Oval on Wednesday, 27th April, as we attempt to make progress to win the Welsh Cup for the first time since 1976. Season ticket holders are reminded that if they wish to occupy their usual seats, they should purchase their tickets up to the day before the game. Regular seats cannot be guaranteed on the day of the match itself.

NEWCOMERS

● The League's newest side Scarborough will be at Ninian Park in a Fourth Division game on Saturday, 23rd April (3.00 p.m.). After leading the Division in mid-October, they have not been able to maintain their progress and ran into financial problems resulting from their entry into the League. At present they are on the fringe of the play-off positions.

END-OF-SEASON POSITIONS

● A reminder that it's the top three clubs in the Division at the end of season who win automatic promotion. The bottom three Third Division clubs go down. The clubs entering the play-offs will be the fourth, fifth and sixth in Division Four and the twenty-first club in Division Three.

S.W. COUNTIES LEAGUE ...

● After home matches in the past four days against AFC Bournemouth and Torquay United, our remaining home fixture in this competition will be against Swansea City on a date to be arranged. The current position regarding results and fixtures in the league will be found under 'City Statistics'. Our Welsh National U-18 Youth League team play their next game against Briton Ferry (away) this coming Sunday (17th April) and against the current leaders Swansea City (away) next Wednesday.

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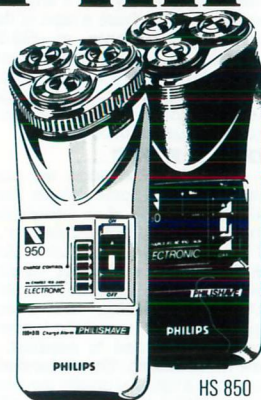
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P.F.A. HONOUR

● Each season, all members of the Professional Footballers' Association are asked to vote on various awards for their members (Player of the Year, Young Player etc.), and the players in each Division nominate a P.F.A. Divisional 'team' for their own section. Those 'teams' were announced recently, and included in the Fourth Division selection are our captain TERRY BOYLE and PAUL WIMBLETON. Our congratulations to both Terry and Paul who both receive mementos from the P.F.A. to mark their nominations. The complete Fourth Division 'team' was as follows: Goalkeeper - Mark Kendall (Wolves); Defenders - Phil Brown (Halifax), Terry Boyle (Cardiff), Keith Day (Leyton Orient), Kevin Dickenson (Leyton Orient); Midfield - Mick Gooding (Peterborough), Alan Davies (Swansea City), Paul Wimbleton (Cardiff); Strikers - Steve Bull (Wolves), Dave Currie (Darlington, now Barnsley), Andy Mutch (Wolves).

NINETY YEARS YOUNG

● Our best wishes to match day steward Arthur John who looks after B Block in the Main Stand. He will be 90 years old on Sunday, having been a City fan ever since we became a professional club in 1910.

CITY RECORDING

● Our recent 2-2 draw at Rochdale was recorded by our opponents video-section with match commentary, and is available on VHS and Betamax from the Rochdale F.C. Development Association. Their video producer Roy Nicol has contacted us to say that if any City fans wish to purchase a tape of the match, it's available at £12.50 including post and package from: The Rochdale Development Assn., c/o Alex Stepney, Commercial Manager, Rochdale F.C., Spotland, Rochdale, Lancs (0706-44648/9).

LONGEST SCARF!

● On April 23rd when we play Scarborough at home, Ninian Park will be the venue of an interesting event. As part of the ITV 'Telethon', a 27-hour television broadcast on May 29/30 to raise money for charity, residents of The Abbeyfield Society have been knitting twelve-inch squares to form part of the longest scarf ever created to establish a new world record. The Abbeyfield Society is a national charity devoted to renovating or building family-sized houses for seven or eight people to provide a supportive family atmosphere. The Society has over 1,000 houses nationwide

including the HTV (Wales) area whose portion of the scarf will be measured here before the Scarborough game by members of the Territorial Army, and will make a substantial contribution to the completed scarf which is expected to measure 20,000 feet, enough to go around twenty football pitches! A nationwide competition to guess the length of the completed scarf is being sponsored by the dry-cleaning firm Sketchley with over £1,000 worth of cameras to be won. Entry forms are now available in over 500 of their branches.

GOOD LUCK, LADS

● Several of our supporters could be playing at Wembley in a curtain-raiser to The Littlewoods Cup Final between Arsenal and Luton Town on April 24th. Ystrad Rhondda Boys' Club will be representing Wales in the final stages of the National Association of Boys' Clubs Five-a-Side Championship at Bletchley Leisure Centre, Milton Keynes on April 23rd. The Championships are sponsored by the Littlewoods Organisation in association with their Football League Cup backing, and if Ystrad Boys, a number of whom are keen followers of Cardiff City, are one of the two five-a-side finalists, then they'll play for The Littlewoods Junior Challenge Cup prior to the Arsenal/Luton kick-off. We wish the boys every success on the weekend of April 23/24th.

PRaise FROM ROGER

● Former City player Roger Gibbins, who recently joined Torquay United from Newport County, was naturally pleased with his side's 2-0 victory last Saturday, but after the match he expressed the belief that Cardiff City would be in the top-three at the end of the season. Roger said: "I think everyone at Ninian Park has done a great job this season, and I'd be

very happy if they finished in second place with Torquay Third." That defeat at Torquay was, however, a major disappointment to our players, and not even the fact that a few of them had backed Grand National winner Rhyme 'n' Reason at 10 to 1 was of much consolation.

SPEEDY'S FIRST

● Our opening goal against Newport County recently was Nigel 'Speedy' Stevenson's first since joining us in the summer after many years with Swansea City. Oddly enough, his previous goal was also against County, in Swansea's 3-1 Welsh Cup defeat back in November 1986.

CITY WINNER

● The £500 weekly winners to date in our 'City Winner' Membership Scheme are as follows:-

Week	Name	Number
1	Alison Jones, Remploy	0568
2	D.T. Evans, London	0647
3	R. Phelps, Rhondda	0217
4	Mrs. W. Burrows, Gwent	0635
5	L.T. Williams, Cardiff	0114
6	Mr. Silver, Cardiff	0297
7	Mr. N.V. Jackson, Cardiff	0049
8	M.E. & R.J. Pickton, Cardiff	0607
9	Top Gear	0449
10	Mr. Ford, Bristol	0714
11	A.W.J. Evans, Pinner	0544
12	Mr. Hapgood, Gwent	0417
13	P.I. Richards, Bromley	0173
14	Kenilworth Pink & Blues, Barry	0660

Week No.15 will be drawn at half-time in tonight's game, and the winning number will be announced.

100% RECORD

● Prior to last Saturday's game at Torquay, only Jimmy Gilligan and Mike Ford had appeared in every one of our 50 League and Cup games. Both started the match at Plainmore, but Jimmy came off midway through the second half, so Mike is now the only 'ever-present' member of our squad.

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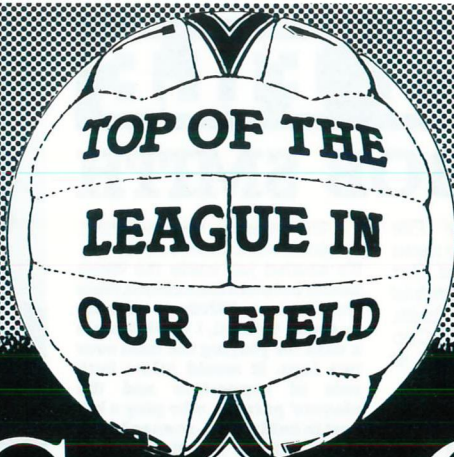
Saturday, 30th April - £12.00

Pick Up Point	Time
Bridgend (Blue Depot)	6.45 am
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Cardiff Station (Bay A1)	7.45 am
Malpas (Roundabout)	8.15 am

BURNLEY - (3.00 p.m.)

Saturday, 7th May - £9.00

Pick Up Point	Time
Bridgend (Blue Depot)	8.00 am
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on BOB SMITH

This evening City File brings you encouraging news of a hat-trick of cup wins. Our youth team, under the watchful guidance of Bobby Smith, retained the Welsh Youth Cup by defeating Wrexham 2-1 at Knighton last Saturday.

The youth team usually travel to away fixtures in the Club mini-bus but, as Bobby tells us, the reward for reaching the Final brought special treatment. "We decided to give the lads a sample of first-team style. We travelled to mid-Wales in a coach and stopped in Builth Wells, where the team had lunch in a hotel. It was a nice relaxing build-up to the game, enabling the players to get the journey out of their system, and they really appreciated it."

HAT-TRICK

Another encouraging aspect of our youth team's success can be shown from the sides beaten in previous rounds, who included the other Football League clubs in Wales, Swansea City and Newport County. "By beating Wrexham in the final we completed a hat-trick of wins over the major club sides involved in the Youth Cup and that was particularly satisfying. In addition, eight of the team will still be eligible to defend the trophy next season, and that's more good news for the future of Cardiff City Football Club."

The game itself saw us fall behind the North Wilians, but Bobby was never in any doubt over the final outcome. "Although we went behind after ten minutes, we kept our patience and were rewarded with an equaliser just before half time through Chris Fry. We had all the play during the second half and Wrexham were restricted to the odd breakaway, with our winning goal scored by Paul Jarrett. It's a performance I would describe as a 'big two-one'. Although there was only a goal in it, we were well on top and basically controlled the game. It was a pleasing performance."

The venue for the final, Knighton, was a rather unlikely one. It's situated just inside the Welsh border between Llandrindod Wells and Newtown. "Without wishing to sound critical, I think there's a case for playing the final over two legs. It would allow both sets of supporters and the players' parents, who play a big part in behind-the-scenes back-up to attend. By playing two games, the home leg would make it a lot easier for people wishing to see the game."

As previously stated in City File, the running of any team requires capital, and our youth side is no exception. "Gerald McCarthy of Capital Finance has given us amazing support in the past, and I should like to thank him personally for his kind offer to sponsor the youth team for the next three years. We also receive a great deal of help from the parents who show a lot of encouragement. Last year we played in a tournament at Southampton and the expenses for that were covered by amounts raised from social evenings organised by the parents of our youth team players. They provide a vital role, and it's much appreciated."

QUALITY

While Bobby recognizes that winning trophies is enjoyable, he



● Bob Smith.

doesn't consider it to be the most important aspect of his job. "My job is to develop players. If you win things on the way, then those are lovely bonuses. It's good for the team to get winning habits, and the coach-trip back from Knighton was extremely enjoyable. But the main object of the exercise is to produce League players, or prospective League players. I'm never completely satisfied, and I'm always looking for more quality. The Bluebirds sides in both Swansea and Cardiff will hopefully continue to feed talented players through to the Under-18s which is pleasing. The main thing is that the youth policy here at Ninian Park is working well, and with our new sponsorship, will continue to do so."



● THE CARDIFF CITY squad sponsored by Capital Finance, which beat Wrexham 2-1 in last Saturday's Welsh Youth Cup final at Knighton BACK (from left): John Wile, Robert Painter, Gareth Matthews, Morris Scott, Robert Jones, Alan Lewis, Jeff Doman, 'Sandro Melardi. FRONT (from left): Nick Denton, Richard Haig, Chris Fry, Jon Morgan, Paul Jarrett, John Burrows, Barry Hughes.

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CITY STATISTICS — 1987-88

**KEY — Home Matches in CAPITALS * = Player Withdrawn
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1987	Opponents	1988	F A	Scorers	Lge. Pos.	Att.	Graham MOSELEY	Jason PERRY
Aug. 15 (Sat.)	LEYTON ORIENT (Lge.)	1-1	Gilligan	—	3,357	1	2	
Aug. 18 (Tue.)	Newport County (LCI/1st leg) (at Ninian Park)	1-2	Curtis	—	3,383	1	2	
Aug. 22 (Sat.)	Bolton Wanderers (Lge.)	0-1	—	19	4,530	1	2*	
Aug. 25 (Tue.)	NEWPORT COUNTY (LCI/2nd leg)	2-2	Gilligan, Sanderson	—	3,550	1	2*	
Aug. 29 (Sat.)	SWANSEA CITY (Lge.)	1-0	Gilligan	13	6,010	1	S*	
Sept. 1 (Tue.)	Cambridge United (Lge.)	0-0	—	16	2,079	1	S	
Sept. 5 (Sat.)	WOLVERHAMPTON WANDERERS (Lge.)	3-2	McDermott, Bartlett, Boyle	10	2,258	1	S	
Sept. 12 (Sat.)	Wrexham (Lge.)	0-3	—	15	2,212	1	—	
Sept. 15 (Tue.)	DARLINGTON (Lge.)	3-1	Abrahams, Bartlett (2)	10	2,201	1	—	
Sept. 19 (Sat.)	CARLISLE UNITED (Lge.)	4-2	Gilligan 2, Ford, Boyle	7	2,659	1	—	
Sept. 25 (Fri.)	Tranmere Rovers (Lge.)	1-0	Wimbleton	3	2,543	1	—	
Sept. 29 (Tue.)	HALIFAX TOWN (Lge.)	0-0	—	4	3,666	1	—	
Oct. 2 (Fri.)	Stockport County (Lge.)	1-0	Bartlett	2	2,332	1	—	
Oct. 10 (Sat.)	HEREFORD UNITED (Lge.)	0-1	—	4	4,420	1	—	
Oct. 13 (Tue.)	WREXHAM (FRT Preliminary Rnd)	3-2	Wheeler, McDermott, Gilligan	—	1,102	1	—	
Oct. 17 (Sat.)	Peterborough United (Lge.)	3-4	Ford 2, McDermott	9	3,473	1	—	
Oct. 20 (Tue.)	TORQUAY UNITED (Lge.)	1-1	Ford, Gilligan	6	3,503	1	—	
Oct. 24 (Sat.)	Scunthorpe United (Lge.)	2-2	Sanderson	10	2,872	1	—	
Oct. 31 (Sat.)	ROCHDALE (Lge.)	1-0	Gilligan	7	3,046	1	—	
Nov. 4 (Wed.)	Scarborough (Lge.)	1-1	Wimbleton	8	2,599	1	—	
Nov. 7 (Sat.)	EXETER CITY (Lge.)	3-2	Gilligan 2, Boyle	5	3,474	1	—	
Nov. 14 (Sat.)	Peterborough United (F.A. Cup 1st Round)	1-2	Bartlett	—	3,600	1	—	
Nov. 18 (Wed.)	EBBW VALE (W.C.3)	0-0	—	—	935	1	—	
Nov. 21 (Sat.)	Newport County (Lge.)	2-1	Wimbleton, Platnauer	2	4,022	1	—	
Nov. 24 (Tue.)	Walsall (FRT Preliminary Rnd)	1-3	Gilligan	—	2,420	1	—	
Nov. 28 (Sat.)	HARTLEPOOL UNITED (Lge.)	1-1	McDermott	3	3,232	1	—	
Dec. 5 (Sat.)	EBBW VALE (W.C.3 replay)	1-0	Bartlett	—	975	1	—	
Dec. 12 (Sat.)	Crewe Alexandra (Lge.)	0-0	—	4	2,010	1	—	
Dec. 19 (Sat.)	BURNLEY (Lge.)	2-1	Gilligan 2	4	3,401	1	—	
Dec. 26 (Sat.)	TRANMERE ROVERS (Lge.)	3-0	Gilligan 2, Wimbleton	3	5,233	1	—	
Dec. 28 (Mon.)	Colchester United (Lge.)	1-2	Kelly	4	2,599	1	—	
Jan. 1 (Fri.)	Swansea City (Lge.)	2-2	Ford, Gilligan	4	10,360	1	—	
Jan. 9 (Sat.)	PORT TALBOT ATHLETIC (WC4)	3-1	Ford 2, Gilligan	—	1,382	1	—	
Jan. 16 (Sat.)	Carlisle United (Lge.)	0-0	—	6	2,344	1	—	
Jan. 20 (Wed.)	Notts County (FRT)	0-2	—	—	2,704	1	—	
Jan. 30 (Sat.)	CAMBRIDGE UNITED (Lge.)	4-0	Wimbleton (p), Bartlett, McDermott, Boyle	3	4,012	1	—	
Feb. 2 (Tue.)	Darlington (Lge.)	0-0	—	3	2,332	1	—	
Feb. 6 (Sat.)	Wolverhampton Wanderers (Lge.)	4-1	Gilligan 2, Wimbleton 2	2	9,072	1	—	
Feb. 13 (Sat.)	COLCHESTER UNITED (Lge.)	1-0	Ford	2	5,458	1	—	
Feb. 20 (Sat.)	Leyton Orient (Lge.)	1-4	Bartlett	2	3,523	1	—	
Feb. 24 (Wed.)	MERTHYR TYDFIL (Welsh Cup 5)	3-1	Gilligan, Wimbleton 2	—	7,213	1	—	
Feb. 27 (Sat.)	STOCKPORT COUNTY (Lge.)	0-0	—	2	4,008	1	—	
Mar. 1 (Tue.)	Halifax Town (Lge.)	1-0	Bartlett	2	1,128	1	—	
Mar. 4 (Fri.)	PETERBOROUGH UNITED (Lge.)	0-0	—	2	4,172	1	—	
Mar. 13 (Sun.)	Hereford United (Lge.)	2-1	Gilligan, Bartlett	2	3,210	1	—	
Mar. 16 (Wed.)	WREXHAM (Lge.)	1-1	Gilligan	2	4,083	1	—	
Mar. 26 (Sat.)	SCUNTHORPE UNITED (Lge.)	0-1	—	3	4,527	1	—	
Mar. 29 (Tue.)	Rochdale	2-2	Bartlett, Bramhall (own goal)	2	1,435	1	—	
Apr. 2 (Sat.)	Exeter City (Lge.)	2-0	Bartlett 2	2	2,649	1	—	
Apr. 4 (Mon.)	NEWPORT COUNTY (Lge.) (11.30 a.m.)	4-0	Stevenson, Wimbleton, McDermott, Ford	2	6,536	1	—	
Apr. 9 (Sat.)	Torquay United (Lge.)	0-2	—	2	3,082	1	—	
Apr. 15 (Fri.)	BOLTON WANDERERS (Lge.)	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Apr. 19 (Tue.)	CAERNARFON TOWN (WC5F 1st Leg)	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Apr. 23 (Sat.)	SCARBOROUGH (Lge.)	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Apr. 27 (Wed.)	Caernarfon Town (WC5F 2nd Leg)	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Apr. 30 (Sat.)	Hartlepool United (Lge.)	—	—	—	—	—	—	
May 2 (Mon.)	CREWE ALEXANDRA (Lge.) (3.00 p.m.)	—	—	—	—	—	—	
May 7 (Sat.)	Burnley (Lge.)	—	—	—	—	—	—	

Division Four 1987/88 (not incl. last night's games)

Team	P	W	D	L	F-A	Pts
1 Wolves	41	23	9	9	71-38	78
2 Scunthorpe United	41	19	13	9	71-47	70
3 CARDIFF CITY	41	19	13	9	58-40	70
4 Bolton Wanderers	40	19	10	11	53-39	67
5 Torquay United	38	18	11	9	54-34	65
6 Leyton Orient	41	17	12	12	77-57	63
7 Swansea City	42	18	9	15	57-53	63
8 Burnley	41	19	6	16	52-55	63
9 Wrexham	42	18	6	18	62-52	60
10 Darlington	40	17	9	14	67-58	60
11 Scarborough	42	16	12	14	53-44	60
12 Peterborough United	42	17	9	16	47-51	60
13 Colchester United	40	17	8	15	44-43	59
14 Hartlepool United	41	15	13	13	47-48	58
15 Tranmere Rovers	41	17	6	18	53-49	55†
16 Cambridge United	40	15	10	15	40-46	55
17 Crewe Alexandra	40	13	15	12	54-47	54
18 Stockport County	41	12	12	17	41-51	48
19 Hereford United	41	11	12	18	36-52	45
20 Rochdale	42	10	15	17	43-69	45
21 Halifax Town	39	11	17	11	44-52	43*
22 Exeter City	42	10	12	20	46-62	42
23 Carlisle United	40	10	6	24	49-81	36
24 Newport County	40	5	7	28	31-86	22

* Two points deducted, † One point deducted

GAMES/GOALS 1987-88 (incl. last Saturday's Match)

Player	Lge	Cup	Goals	Lge	Cup
Gareth ABRAHAMS	2+0	1+0	1	0	0
Kevin BARTLETT	25+0	6+3	11	2	0
Phil BATER	35+0	7+0	0	0	0
Terry BOYLE	41+0	9+0	4	0	0
Alan CURTIS	35+0	9+0	0	1	0
*Scott ENDERSBY	4+0	1+0	0	0	0
Mike FORD	41+0	10+0	7	2	0
Jimmy GILLIGAN	41+0	10+0	17	5	0
*Jason GUMMER	1+1	1+0	0	0	0
*Alan JUDGE	8+0	2+0	0	0	0
Mark KELLY	23+8	8+1	1	0	0
Steve MARDENBORO	9+12	2+6	0	0	0
Brian McDERMOTT	41+0	9+0	5	1	0
Graham MOSELEY	13+0	2+0	0	0	0
Jason PERRY	3+0	2+0	0	0	0
Nicky PLATNAUER	33+0	9+0	1	1	0
John ROBERTS	8+0	4+0	0	0	0
*Paul SANDERSON	8+13	3+4	1	1	0
Nigel STEVENSON	30+1	5+0	1	0	0
Paul WHEELER	6+7	1+2	0	1	0
Paul WIMBLETON	35+0	7+0	8†	2	0
Ian WALSH	1+4	1+0	0	0	0
George WOOD	0+0	0+0	0	0	0

+ Substitute Appearance; Max - 41 Lge, 10 Cup

* No longer with Club; † penalty (+ 1 own goal)

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Date	Opponents
Aug. 26 (Wed.)	Plymouth
Sept. 2 (Wed.)	NEW
Sept. 21 (Mon.)	Hereford
Oct. 6 (Tue.)	EXETER
Oct. 27 (Tue.)	Bristol
Nov. 25 (Wed.)	Swansea
Dec. 9 (Wed.)	SHREWSBURY
Jan. 13 (Wed.)	PLYMOUTH
Jan. 20 (Wed.)	Newport
Feb. 3 (Wed.)	HEREFORD
Feb. 17 (Wed.)	Hereford
Mar. 9 (Wed.)	AFC
Mar. 17 (Thu.)	BRISTOL
Apr. 11 (Mon.)	AFC
Apr. 13 (Wed.)	TORQUAY
Apr. 27 (Wed.)	Shrewsbury

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This is the tale of the Englishman, Welshman and Scotsman all of whom played a significant part in the story of both Cardiff City and today's opponents Bolton Wanderers – the Englishman was Gareth Williams who, despite his Welsh name, was born in London; the Welshman was International Bill Jennings who was originally from Barry, and the Scotsman was Joe Cassidy, an International who cost City a record fee.

Williams played for City from the early 1960s to October 1967 when he joined Bolton; Jennings was a former Bolton and Wales wing-half who was coach and later manager of City in the latter half of the 1930s, while Cassidy was one of the best known players to have come out of Scotland when he joined City from Bolton in October 1925.

When the rules of International qualification were changed in the early 1970s to allow a player to appear for the country of his father's birth, it came too late for Gareth Williams, whose League career was coming to its close. Gareth had been born in Wembley (the suburb, not the Stadium!) in 1941, and his family had later returned to Hengoed where Welsh-speaking Gareth developed in local schools football together with another youngster who was to make his name with City – Graham Moore. Gareth was then either a centre-half or centre-forward, and he became a professional with City in June 1961 at the age of 19.

By the time he made his debut against Leeds United in December 1962 at Ninian Park, City were back in Division Two after just two seasons in the First, and towards the end of 1962-63 Gareth gained a regular place in midfield which he was to keep as a strong attacking player with a powerful shot, until October 1967 when Bolton paid City £45,000 for him. He was to spend four years at Burnden Park, Bolton at that time being a Second Division side, and he would surely have won Welsh honours had he been eligible. Eventually he moved to Bury in October 1971, he

remained with them until the end of 1972-73 when he made his last League appearance, and he still lives in the Greater Manchester area.

250,000 CROWD!

If Williams was the Englishman who came back to Wales and Cardiff City to make his name, then Bill Jennings was the Welshman who certainly found fame in England with Bolton Wanderers. Born in Barry, wing-half Bill had joined Bolton just before the First World War and had won the first of his eleven Welsh Caps in March 1914 when England had made their first-ever appearance at Ninian Park. Jennings was a regular in Bolton's First Division side for nearly twenty years (apart from the 1914-18 War) and he appeared in two of their three F.A. Cup winning sides in the 1920s including the 1923 victory over West Ham United when Wembley Stadium was opened, with 250,000 people over-running the ground. It hadn't been an all-ticket match and the huge influx was too much for the newly-built arena, with fans spilling onto the pitch for safety. Jennings and his Bolton colleagues, together with their West Ham opponents, struggled onto the pitch and helped the police persuade the crowds to move back to the touchlines where they formed human walls, with the game kicking off forty minutes late!

After his playing-career, Bill Jennings became Notts County coach, and joined City in the same capacity in the summer of 1934. City were struggling in Division 3 (South), having just sought re-election to the League just seven



● Cardiff City captain Gareth Williams leads his team out (followed by 'keeper Bob Wilson) during 1966-67.

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● February 1967 – City's Gareth Williams, later to join Bolton, scores in the F.A. Cup 4th Round 1-1 draw at Ninian Park against Manchester City.

years after winning the F.A. Cup, and times were hard at Ninian Park. There wasn't much success, Jennings eventually became manager in April 1937 to be succeeded by Cyril Spiers two years later.

CLUB RECORD FEE . . .

One of Jennings' team-mates during the 1920s had been Scottish International centre-forward or inside-left Joe Cassidy. They'd paid Glasgow Celtic a huge fee of £5,000 for him in the summer of 1924. It equalled the Football League's record transfer fee at the time, and Cassidy had won four Scottish caps, having been a leading goalscorer with Celtic since his teenage days. He'd been bought by Bolton to replace their injured centre-forward, but the forward had later regained full fitness and when he recovered, Cassidy lost his place and asked for a transfer.

Cardiff City, meanwhile, were struggling in Division One in the early part of 1925-26, and it was a major sensation when secretary/manager Fred Stewart signed him on October 12th 1925 at a Club record fee of £3,500! That was in fact overtaken less than a month later when Hugh Ferguson was signed from Motherwell for £4,000! Cassidy didn't stay long at Ninian Park – in August 1926 he moved to Dundee in exchange for Irish International wing-half Sam Irving, and Cassidy eventually finished his career in Ireland.

After his playing days, Joe Cassidy had a permanent reminder of his various playing travels. He and his wife had four children – the eldest was Scottish, the next was English, the third was Welsh, and the youngest was Irish – a truly International family!

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● Another club hoping to reach a National Cup final are **Wrexham** who played the first leg of their Welsh Cup semi-final last Monday at Kidderminster Harriers of the G.M. Vauxhall Conference. Wrexham went into that game after a tremendous run of six consecutive League wins which have taken them from a bottom-six place in late February to ninth position and a good finishing in the play-off places if they can keep the run going. Since the start of March, they've won eight, drawn one, and lost only one. . . . the six wins have been as follows: Scarborough (away) 2-0; Exeter (home) 3-0; Newport (home) 4-1; Tranmere (home) 3-0; Carlisle (away) 4-0; Scunthorpe (home) 2-1. That win over Scunthorpe last Saturday was achieved in dramatic fashion — Wrexham were a goal down at half-time, but Kevin Russell equalised forty seconds after the restart, and within four minutes Steve Buxton had scored the winner. There's been no stopping Russell recently, the former Portsmouth player had scored in each of those six wins to add eight goals to his total which stood at 21 in League and Cup after last weekend.

● But at the other end of the table, **Newport County's** sad plight continues — their team against **Peterborough United** contained only two players over the age of 20, and following the return of loan-goal-keeper Dave Coles to Aldershot, teenager Patrick O'Hagan made his League debut. As with our game against them here at Ninian Park, the youngsters battled bravely, but again collapsed in the second half and were once more beaten 4-0 in front of a 988 attendance, their lowest-ever League crowd! There was a hat-trick in that game for experienced striker Steve Phillips, making it four in three matches for him in a season during which he's twice been out on loan — to Exeter in September/October, and to Chesterfield in January/February.

● **Torquay United's** 16 year-old winger Lee Sharpe scored his first-ever League goal when he netted from the penalty-spot against us last Saturday, but it was only due to a shouted instruction from manager

Cyril Knowles that he took it. Meanwhile, striker Dave Caldwell's appeal against an eight-match ban by the F.A. following five dismissals this season, is due to be heard on April 29th, and if the appeal fails, the ban would start a week later, so he's likely to miss only one or two this season with the remainder carried forward to next.

● **Scunthorpe's** defeat at Wrexham last Saturday was their first in eleven matches (seven wins, three draws), but £15,000 signing Dave Shearer from AFC Bournemouth in mid-February again scored — that's five in ten games for him, and Scunthorpe beat **Carlisle United** at home last Tuesday taking them to second place, above us on goal-difference. Carlisle, meanwhile, must be relieved that Newport County will be the team to go out at the end of the season because the Cumbria club have had a disastrous run recently. They'd lost six of their last seven games before Tuesday's visit to Scunthorpe, and their only success during that spell, a 2-1 win at Newport on April 2nd when skipper Malcolm Poskett scored twice, his first goals since late-November! They've used no fewer than 33 players in League and Cup matches so far (Newport have used 38) and their 4-1 defeat at **Leyton Orient** six days ago was the second time in five days that they had conceded four goals.

● As for **Leyton Orient**, they were hoping to follow that success over **Carlisle** when they went to **Halifax Town** last night. Saturday's win put them into sixth place, two goals from Ian Juryeff following his two at Darlington eleven days ago and giving 14 goals in 19 games since he regained his place in late December.

● If home clubs didn't keep their entire gate-receipts instead of giving the visitors a percentage as used to be the case, **Swansea City** might be happier to play all their games away from The Vetch Field, not because they don't receive good support — their home attendances are amongst the best in the Division — but their record at home is poor compared to their away form. That 1-0 win at **Peterborough** on Easter Monday gave them a club record ten away League wins for a season, beating the previous best of nine (1920-21, 1922-23). Unfortunately, they lost again at The Vetch last Saturday, 2-1 to **Tranmere Rovers** for whom Ian Muir scored his 24th of the season. That's seven home defeats for Swansea, but they still have a good chance of making the play-offs, though manager Terry Yorath, recently installed as

caretaker team manager of Wales, will feel that his team should really be well-established in the play-off zone, but 28 points dropped at home (six draws, seven losses) tells its own story.

● **Burnley's** 3-1 home win over **Halifax Town** seven nights ago was only their second victory in six games of which they've lost four, including defeats by **Wolves** at Turf Moor and at our visitors **Bolton** eleven days ago. Former Welsh International Leighton James was sent off in that game in what was his first appearance for four matches. Burnley were in action last Tuesday at home against Preston of Division Three in the first leg of The Sherpa Van Trophy Northern Area Final, while the first leg of the Southern Section Final was between Third Division Notts County and **Wolves** at Meadow Lane.

● The pace may be beginning to tell on Darlington, for so long this season one of the more fancied sides in the Division. Even after the departure of top scorer Dave Currie to Barnsley for £150,000 in late February, they kept up their progress over the next four weeks, but they've now picked up only one point from their last four games including last Saturday's 3-1 defeat at **Crewe Alexandra** which left them in tenth place.

DIVISION FOUR TOP SCORERS (League and Cup) (after last weekend)

Bolton	John Thomas 23
Burnley	George Oghani 17
Cambridge	Dave Crown 12*
Cardiff City	Jimmy Gilligan 22
Carlisle	Malcolm Poskett 15
Colchester	Dale Tempest 12
Crewe	Dave Platt 21*
Darlington	Dave Currie 22*
Exeter	Brendan O'Connell 12
Halifax	Neil Matthews 12
Hartlepool	Paul Baker 23
Hereford	Phil Stant 12
Leyton Orient	Alan Comfort/Ian Juryeff 14
Newport	Robbie Taylor/Paul Evans* 4
Peterborough	Mick Gooding 23
Rochdale	Lyndon Simmonds 15
Scarborough	Tommy Graham/Stewart Mell 8
Scunthorpe	Andy Flounders 25
Stockport	Bob Colville 14
Swansea	Colin Pascoe 15*
Torquay	Paul Dobson 19
Tranmere	Ian Muir 24
Wolves	Steve Bull 44
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BOLTON WANDERERS

● These next two matches could well decide whether or not **BOLTON WANDERERS**, one of the League's founder members in 1888, return to Division Three following their first-ever season in the Fourth Division – following tonight's game, they are at home to Scunthorpe United next Tuesday, so the importance of their visit to Ninian Park this evening is quite clear, especially for manager Phil Neal, the former Liverpool and England full-back.

They have lost just once since the start of March and that was at Swansea on March 18th (four wins, three draws) and in their most recent game – at Exeter City last Saturday, they were held to a 1-1 draw on a day when victory would have put them into third place – as it was, they remained in fourth position with six games left.

FORWARDS

● Top scorer **JOHN THOMAS** netted in last Saturday's game – his 23rd goal of the season in which he's missed just a few games in January through injury, and he's in his second spell with the Club whom he rejoined for £30,000 from Preston in the summer. After starting at Everton, he had loan spells with Tranmere and Halifax before first coming to Bolton, and he's since played for Lincoln before going to Preston. Alongside him in attack for the last three games has been experienced forward **STEVE ELLIOTT** back after being out since mid-December because of an ankle injury. Signed from Walsall for £25,000, he was previously with Nottingham Forest, Preston and Luton, and he's taken over in attack recently from Londoner **TREVOR MORGAN** who cost £20,000 from Bristol City in the summer after spells with AFC Bournemouth (twice), Mansfield, the two Bristol clubs and Exeter City, and he's played in most of this season's games.

MIDFIELD

● Bolton's most recent signing is **ANDY MAY** on loan from Huddersfield, and he's played in the last few matches on the right of midfield. He joined Huddersfield from Manchester City in the summer, and has played in most of their matches this season. Others who have played on the right this season include summer signing from Grimsby – **GARY HENSHAW** who's appeared in most matches, and **STUART STORER**, the former Mansfield and Birmingham player who was signed from Everton for £25,000 in early January after a loan-spell. Oldham-born ex-apprentice **STEVE THOMPSON** has missed just three games this

season and has been with the club for several years, while locally-born **JULIAN DARBY**, who made his debut in 1985-86, gained a regular place last season, and this year has played in most matches, mainly in midfield, but occasionally at right-back or in a central defensive position. Liverpool-born **ROBBIE SAVAGE** has only missed a couple of games since his £35,000 transfer from Bradford City in September and he's also been mainly in midfield with the odd few games at full-back. His previous clubs were Liverpool, Wrexham (loan) Stoke and AFC Bournemouth. Also available in midfield is Manchester-born **NICKY BROOKMAN** who once had a spell as an apprentice with Newport. He made his debut last season and has played in most 1987-88 matches.

DEFENDERS

● Ever-present in goal has been former Welsh International **DAVE FELGATE** who began his career with Bolton but was better known as a regular loan-player with various clubs, including ourselves a few seasons ago. Since those days, he's been with Lincoln and Grimsby, as well as having further loan-spells before returning to Bolton for £16,000 in February 1987. Right back **PAUL HUGHES**, captain of last year's successful youth team, was back in the team last Saturday after a four match absence, and he made his debut just after Christmas, gaining a regular spot from mid-January. He came back for regular choice **DEREK SCOTT** the former Burnley player who was signed for £20,000 in June 1985 after eleven years with his

THEIR RECENT 1987-88 RECORD

March	F-A	Att.
1 Tranmere (Div.4)	H 2-0	3,979
5 Carlisle (Div.4)	A 2-0	2,796
11 Darlington (Div.4)	H 1-1	4,948
18 Swansea (Div.4)	A 0-1	3,980
26 Rochdale (Div.4)	H 0-0	4,875

April

2 Leyton O. (Div.4)	A 2-1	4,537
4 Burnley (Div.4)	H 2-1	9,921
9 Exeter (Div.4)	A 1-1	1,962

This Season's Scorers (League and Cup)

Thomas 23 (7 pens), Morgan 8, Brookman 7, Thompson 6, Came 4, Darby 2, Elliott 2, Henshaw 2, May 2, Savage 2, Chandler 1, Stevens 1, Storer 1. Opponents 3.

previous club, and Scott has played in all but seven of this season's matches in either full-back position. At left-back for the past three games following his return from an ankle injury which needed an operation, has been **DEAN CROMBIE**, a free transfer in the summer from Grimsby where he had been a regular for a number of years, and Crombie didn't miss a game for Bolton until the injury put him out in early December. Regular central defenders this season have been skipper **DAVE SUTTON** and Exeter-born **MARK CAME**. Former Plymouth player Sutton won promotion twice with Huddersfield and moved to Bolton for £12,000 in 1985. He's been absent a few times this season through injury, but Came, who was signed from Winsford United in April 1984, has been ever-present apart from a two-match ban in early March.



● **BOLTON WANDERERS'S 1987-88 Squad BACK** (from left): Neil Whatmore (now Mansfield), Julian Darby, Steve Elliott, Dave Sutton, Dave Felgate, Mark Came, Trevor Morgan, Mark Winstanley. **MIDDLE** (from left): Peter Nightingale (ex-physio.), John Thomas, Ian Stevens, Chris Banks, Steve Thompson, Paul Booth (no longer at Club), Nicky Brookman, Dean Crombie, Steve Carroll (youth coach). **FRONT** (from left): Peter Bell, Ian Callaghan, Jeff Chandler, Phil Neal (manager), Derek Scott, Gary Henshaw, Warren Joyce (now at Preston).

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- 1 George WOOD
- 2 Phil BATER
- 3 Nicky PLATNAUER
- 4 Paul WIMBLETON
- 5 Nigel STEVENSON
- 6 Terry BOYLE (Capt.)
- 7 Alan CURTIS
- 8 Mike FORD
- 9 Jimmy GILLIGAN
- 10 Brian McDERMOTT
- 11 Kevin BARTLETT
- 12
- 14

BOLTON WANDERERS

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- 1 Dave FELGATE
- 2 Paul HUGHES
- 3 Dean CROMBIE
- 4 Robbie SAVAGE
- 5 Mark CAME
- 6 Dave SUTTON (Capt.)
- 7 Andy MAY
- 8 Steve THOMPSON
- 9 John THOMAS
- 10 Steve ELLIOTT
- 11 Julian DARBY
- 12 Trevor MORGAN
- 14 Nicky BROOKMAN

MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee: **J.E. MARTIN** (*Alton, Hants*)
Linesmen: **K.W. Deane** (*red trim flag*)
L. Green (*all yellow flag*)

Tonight's Referee — JOHN MARTIN of Alton — has been officiating for thirty years, progressing through the Surrey Senior and Isthmian Leagues to the Football League List in 1973-74 and to the Full League List in 1977-78. He has been on the International Panel since 1984. He has officiated in major domestic and European matches, and in World Cup Qualifiers. He is married with one son.

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CITY v SCARBOROUGH (Division 4); Sat. 23rd April 3.00p.m.
CITY v CREWE ALEXANDRA (Division 4); Sat. 2nd May 3.00p.m.